



“TRADE UNION PRIORITIES ON THE SDGs FOR A SUSTAINABLE AND HUMAN-CENTRED RECOVERY IN AFRICA”

WEBINAR: 9 FEBRUARY 2022 10:00 – 12:00 AM BRUSSELS TIME

Nearly two years after the start of the Pandemic, African countries are still widely suffering its social, economic and health impacts. Responses to the Covid-19 crisis will need to go hand in hand with the implementation of the SDGs to ensure a just recovery and building the necessary resilience to face future crises.

Key SDGs will be under review in 2022 such as Goal 4 on education, Goal 5 on gender equality and Goal 17 on the SDGs means of implementation. Achieving these goals is an integral part of building forward better from this crisis with resilience for future shocks. At the same time, SDG 8 constitutes a permanent point of reference given its multi-dimensional character and multiple interlinkages with other goals.

In this Webinar trade unions will provide contributions and ways forward to the implementation of the SDGs in the lead up to the African Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD), taking place in Rwanda from the 3rd to the 5th of March. A high-level debate on strategies for recovery and resilience in the SDG Decade of Action, with representatives from ITUC-Africa, UN-ECA, the African Union and the ILO will provide valuable insights into the main responses that are being put forward by key institutions.

AGENDA

10:00-10:10	Welcome and opening	Kwasi Adu-Amankwah , GS ITUC-Africa Mamadou Diallo , DGS ITUC
10:10- 10:-20	Setting the scene on the global and regional processes on the SDGs	Giulia Massobrio , ITUC Guy Nicolas Nahimana , UN-ECA
10.20-11:00	Contributions from trade union leaders in VNR countries: Highlights and challenges on SDG implementation and recovery from the Covid-19 crisis. Reflections from the ILO Bureau of Workers’ Activities (ACTRAV)	Affiliates from Botswana, Somalia, Senegal and Mali that have elaborated the SDGs country reports Maria-Helena André , Director ACTRAV, ILO Moderated by Diego Lopez , ITUC
11:00-11.50	High Level Debate: Strategies for recovery and resilience in the SDG Decade of Action Q&A	Absie Houssein Guedi , African Union Alexio Musindo , , Director ILO Office for Ethiopia, Djibouti, Somalia, Sudan, S. Sudan, Special Representative AU/EAC Moderated by Eric Manzi , DGS ITUC-Africa





11.50-12:00	Conclusions and way forward	Paola Simonetti , Director Equality Department ITUC Eric Manzi , DGS ITUC-Africa
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